

I am confused and do not know what is wrong with my Claims, as filed on 08/21/2006.

I reviewed all the claims several times to see where I went wrong, and to be honest, I cannot find any thing wrong.

There are only two groups of claims that I had submitted on 08/21/2006. The first group includes claims 1 through 37, and the second group includes claims 38 through 58.

In the first group, each and every claim has been **cancelled** and is identified as such.

A portion of Claim 1 is shown here below, as an example:

1 (**Cancelled**). A solder pad, hereinafter referred to as pad, similar to those solder pads that are used to mount electrical or electronic components or devices, hereinafter referred to as device(s), onto substrates or printed circuit boards, hereinafter referred to as PCB(s), wherein

I had inserted the word “**Cancelled**” between two parenthesis right after the claim number, as shown above. I have done the same thing with each claim in this group, i.e. starting with claim 1 and up to and including claim 37.

In the second group, each and every claim is a **new** claim and is identified as such.

A portion of Claim 38 is shown here below, as an example:

38 (New). A **pad**, similar to pads used to join electronic devices to each other or to substrates, provided on an electronic **device**,
said device having a **first device surface**,
said device having a **number of such pads** arranged on said first device surface,
said pad having an **elongated shape**, with the **pad length larger than the pad width**, with a pad **long axis** in the general direction of the pad length and a pad **short axis** in

I had inserted the word “**New**” between two parenthesis right after the claim number, as shown above. I have done the same thing with each claim in this group, i.e. starting with claim 38 and up to and including claim 58.

Yesterday afternoon, I have called Ms. Theresa Dawkins at Telephone No. 571-272-1567 to get help with this problem, but did not reach her in person. Since I will be out of town in the next several days, I figured I better send you this response, so that I would not miss the deadline.

I would highly appreciate any help or clarification on this point. And I would be more than happy to comply with whatever is necessary. Just let me know, please. Thank you in advance.

Thank you very much for every thing and best regards.

Gabe Cherian.